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Re:

United States v. Aeronca, Inc. et al.

Civil Action No. 1:01 CV 00439

Seeking to Utilize Sworn Testimony from ADR Process in Lieu of Noticing

Depositions in this Action

Dear Counsel:

Michael O'Callaghan and I hereby formally request each of you to consent to the request set forth in this letter because it will reduce the costs, expenses, and burdens of this litigation on each of us. Specifically, the following individuals provided sworn testimony in the ADR process involving the Skinner Landfill:

Elsa Skinner Morgan Ray Skinner William Blevins David Jividen Dexter Gregory Rodney Miller Gene Crow Maria Roy

Michael and I are fully prepared to notice these individuals for depositions in the above-referenced action, but we are also willing to forego these depositions and use the ADR transcripts of these individuals' testimony instead. We would agree not to utilize any portion of the transcripts not dealing with your clients. Obviously, such an approach would reduce the burdens of this litigation.

Please respond to Michael and me by no later than the close of business on May 22, 2002, and indicate whether or not you consent to this procedure. If each of you consents, we will ask Judge Weber to partially lift the Protective Order for this limited purpose.

Sincerely,

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